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The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in partnership with the California EPA present:

Wanna Kick Some Ash? Gotta do it Safely!

Announcing four 40 hour Post-Emergency (Cal) Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER) General Site Worker compliant training programs for Tribal members and allied agencies

Why: After a large emergency (e.g., wildland fire, earthquake, flood), a number of chemical, physical, and biological hazards may be present during cultural monitoring, clean up, and removal activities. The HAZWOPER course trains personnel to work safely and effectively in those situations.

When and Where:

Santa Clara County Department of Environmental Health - Santa Clara County Vector Control District, 1580 Berger Drive, San Jose, CA 95112

April 22-26, 2019

What: Following the HAZWOPER standard (29CFR 1910.120, T8 5192CCR) helps protect workers in potentially hazardous environments. It is a vigorous 40-hour training in which students learn about hazards, chemicals, safe work practices, and involves the wearing of chemical protective clothing and respiratory protection.

Who: This course is for Tribal members and allied organizations that may work in the field following an emergency. Allied agencies include, but are not limited to: Environmental Health Departments, Public Works, Local Enforcement Agencies (Solid Waste), US and CA Fish and Wildlife, Drinking Water and Regional Water Quality, Fire, Safety Engineer, CalRecycle, and Emergency Management personnel. (Attending Tribal members are encouraged to reach out to allied agencies in their community so that they can train together.)

Prerequisites: Participating agencies must provide medical clearance to wear personal protective equipment (PPE) and wear respiratory protection. Agencies must also provide their written Safety and Health Program Plan pursuant to 29 CFR 1910.120(b)(1). (Information will be sent to persons who register for the training.)

Benefits: Allows workers to be trained before a disaster and hired to perform cultural monitoring and hazardous waste operations. Since this is General Site Worker training, it also provides certification to work at hazardous waste sites during non-emergency periods. These are generally good paying jobs.

Cost: Tuition costs- none. Travel costs for eligible Tribal members may be available. Otherwise, students (or their employer) are responsible for all travel costs.

Certification and Continuing Education Units: Successful participants will receive a certificate of completion from the US Environmental Protection Agency. Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) CEUs are available.

To Register for the first class: <https://www.trainex.org/40hrReg9>